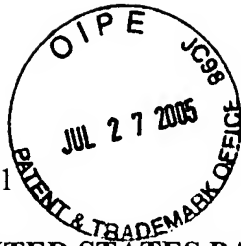


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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of	:	Customer Number: 20277
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Application No.: 10/627,641	:	Group Art Unit: 2825
Filed: July 28, 2003	:	Examiner: DO, Thuan V.

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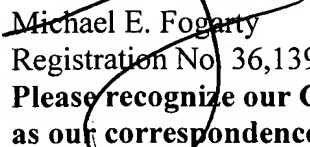
Sir:

Noting the Office Action of July 7, 2005 wherein restriction has been required, Applicant hereby elects Group I (claims 1-7) for prosecution in the above-identified application.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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